## ABSTRACT OF DISCLOSURE

An encrypted content playback apparatus and a playback method are suitable for content playback from a recording medium having stored thereon both content that is subject to conventional copy protection and content to which DRAM is applied. The recording medium stores information indicating, for each content, whether the content is content subject to conventional copy protection or content to which DRAM is applied. Based on this information, the playback apparatus determines the key to use to decrypt the content.